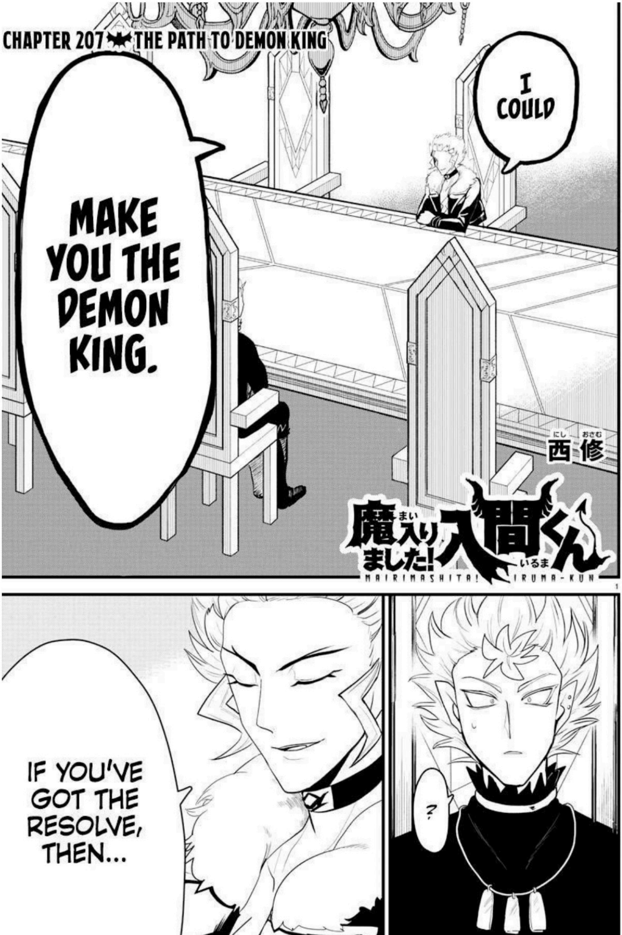
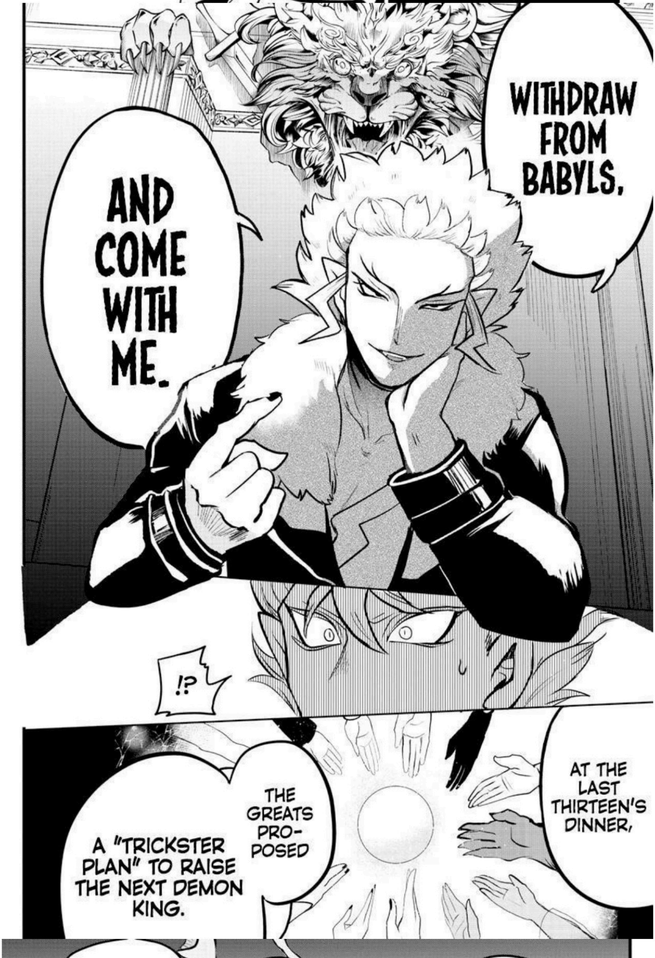
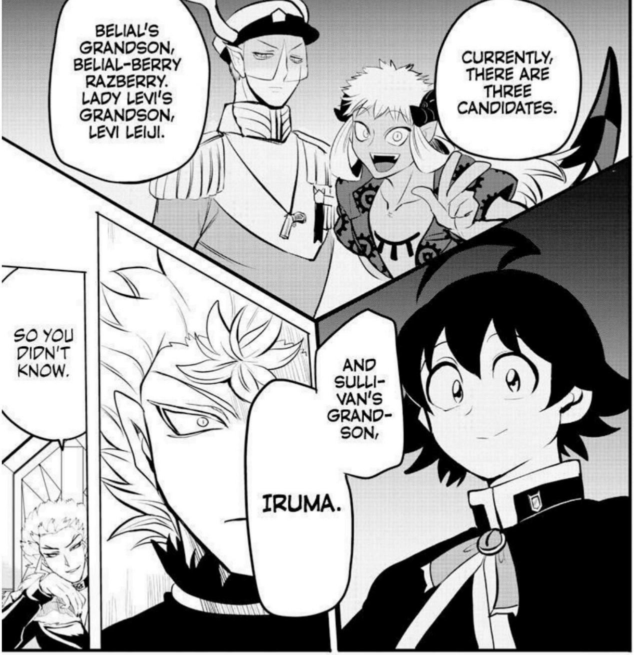
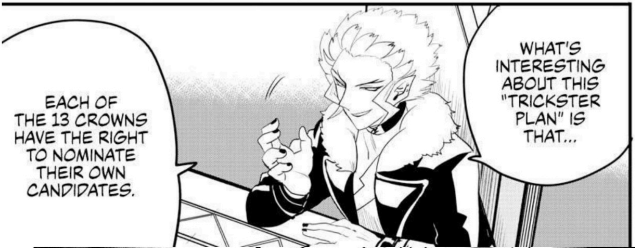
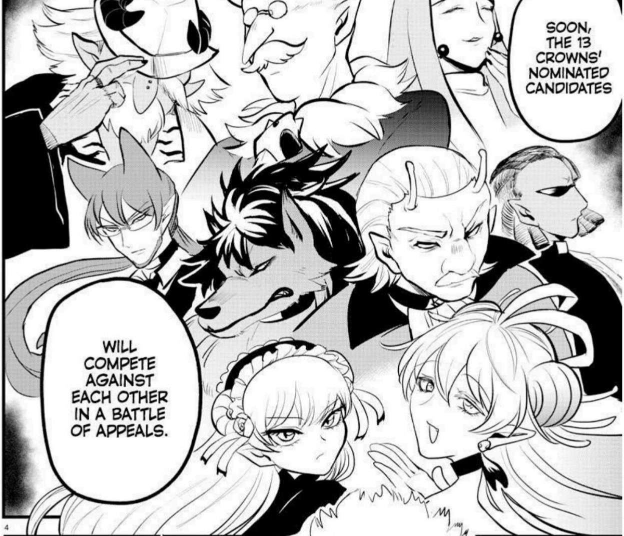
CHAPTER 207 THE PATH TO DEMON KING

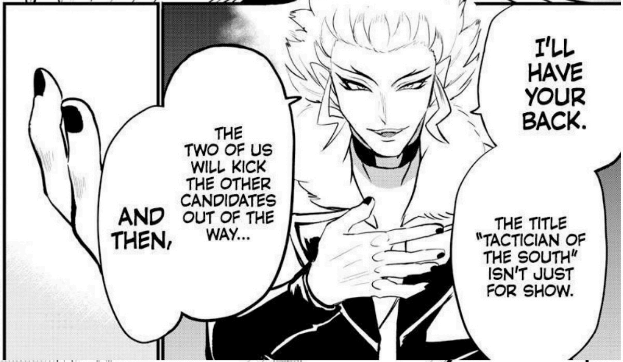

I COULD
MAKE YOU THE DEMON KING.
にし おさむ
西 修
魔入(まい)りました!入間(いるま)くん
MAIRIMASHITA! IRUMA-KUN
?!
IF YOU'VE GOT THE RESOLVE, THEN...

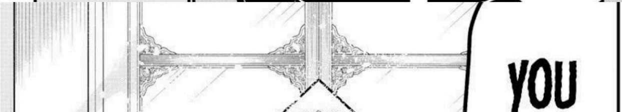

WITHDRAW FROM BABYLS,
AND COME WITH ME.
!?
AT THE LAST THIRTEEN'S DINNER,
THE GREATS PROPOSED
A "TRICKSTER PLAN" TO RAISE THE NEXT DEMON KING.

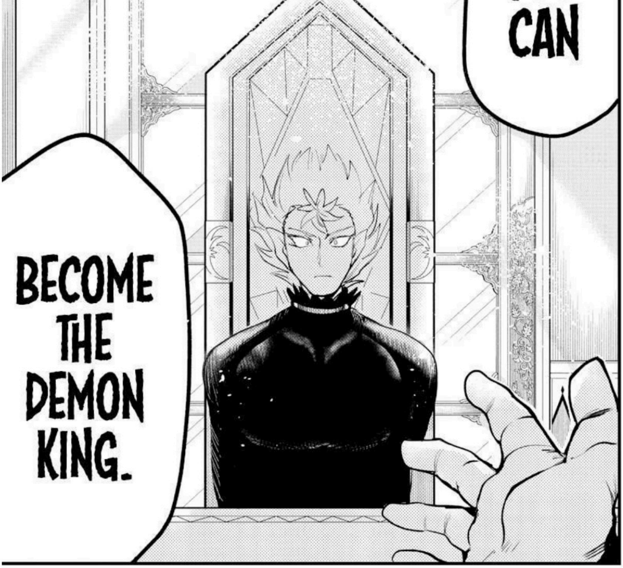

CURRENTLY, THERE ARE THREE CANDIDATES.
BELIAL'S GRANDSON, BELIAL-BERRY RAZBERRY. LADY LEVI'S GRANDSON, LEVI LEIJI.
AND SULLIVAN'S GRANDSON,
IRUMA.
SO YOU DIDN'T KNOW.

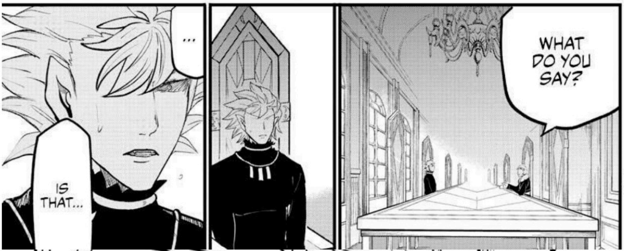

WHAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT THIS "TRICKSTER PLAN" IS THAT...
EACH OF THE 13 CROWNS HAVE THE RIGHT TO NOMINATE THEIR OWN CANDIDATES.

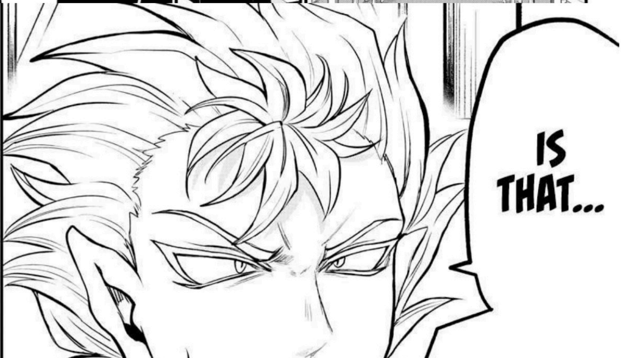

SOON, THE 13 CROWNS' NOMINATED CANDIDATES
WILL COMPETE AGAINST EACH OTHER IN A BATTLE OF APPEALS.

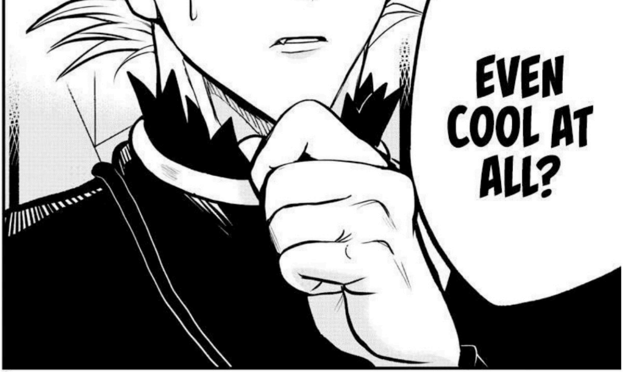

I'LL HAVE YOUR BACK.
THE TITLE "TACTICIAN OF THE SOUTH" ISN'T JUST FOR SHOW.
AND THEN, THE TWO OF US WILL KICK THE OTHER CANDIDATES OUT OF THE WAY...

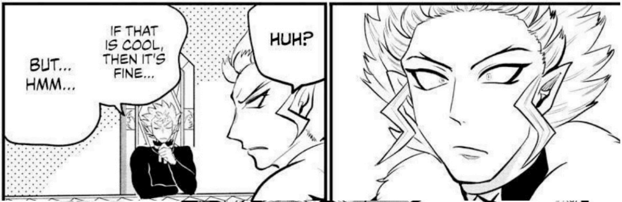


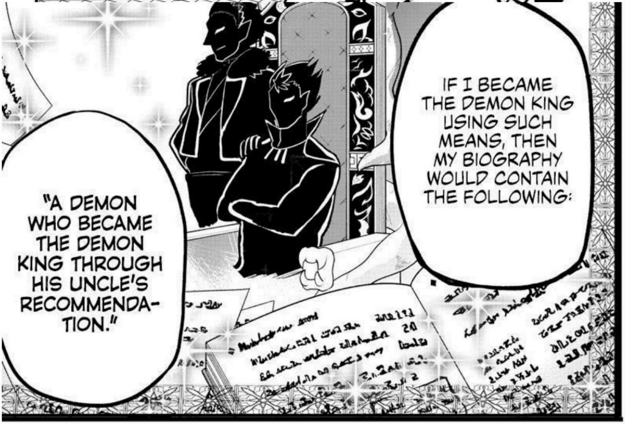

CAN
BECOME THE DEMON KING.

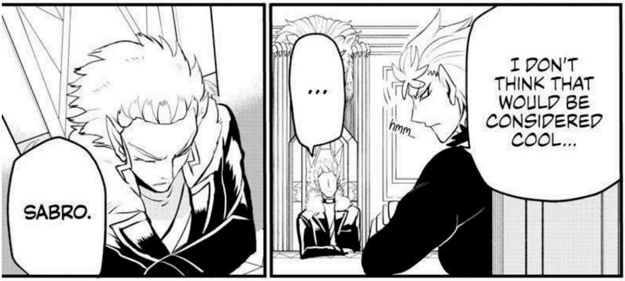

WHAT DO YOU SAY?
...
IS THAT...

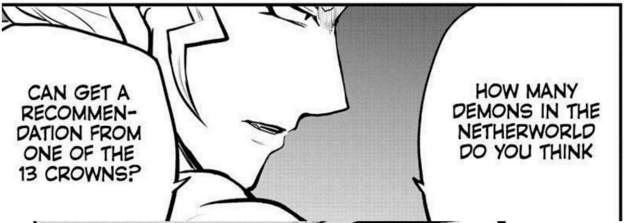


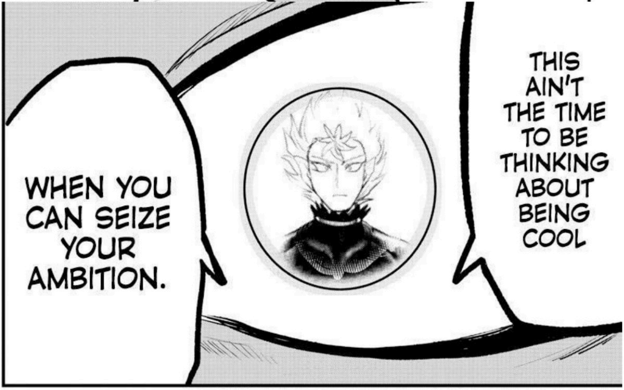

EVEN COOL AT ALL?

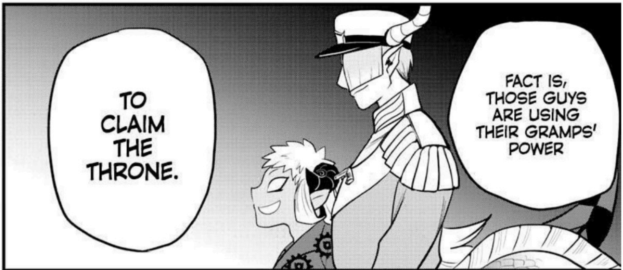

HUH?
IF THAT IS COOL, THEN IT'S FINE...
BUT... HMM...

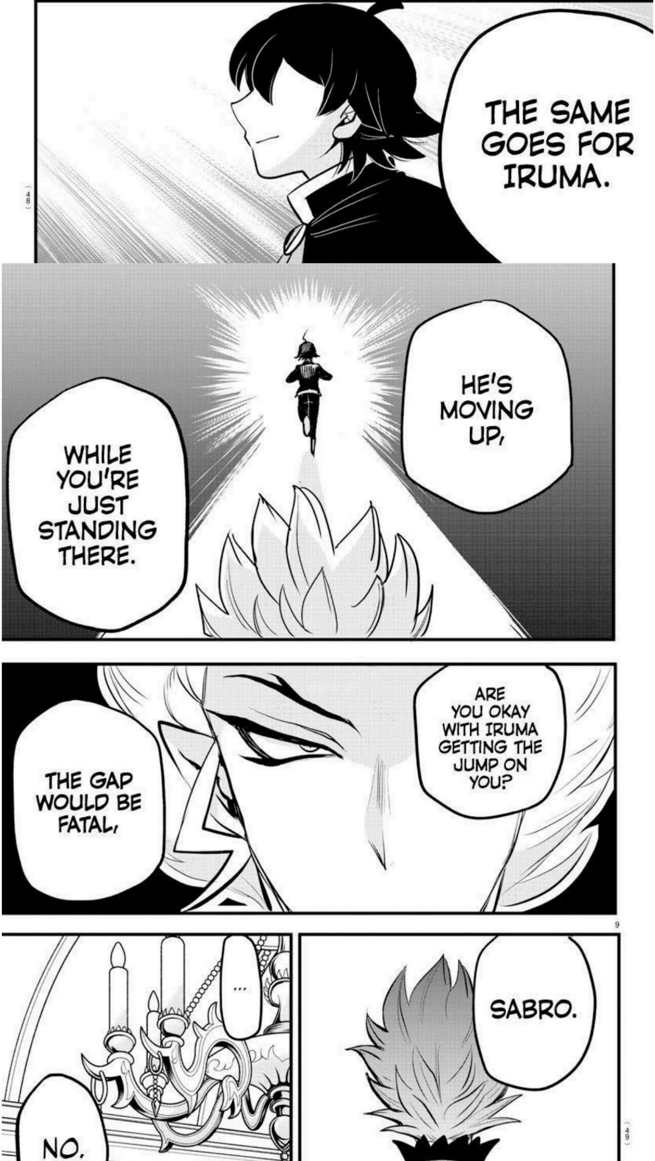

IF I BECAME THE DEMON KING USING SUCH MEANS, THEN MY BIOGRAPHY WOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:
"A DEMON WHO BECAME THE DEMON KING THROUGH HIS UNCLE'S RECOMMENDATION."

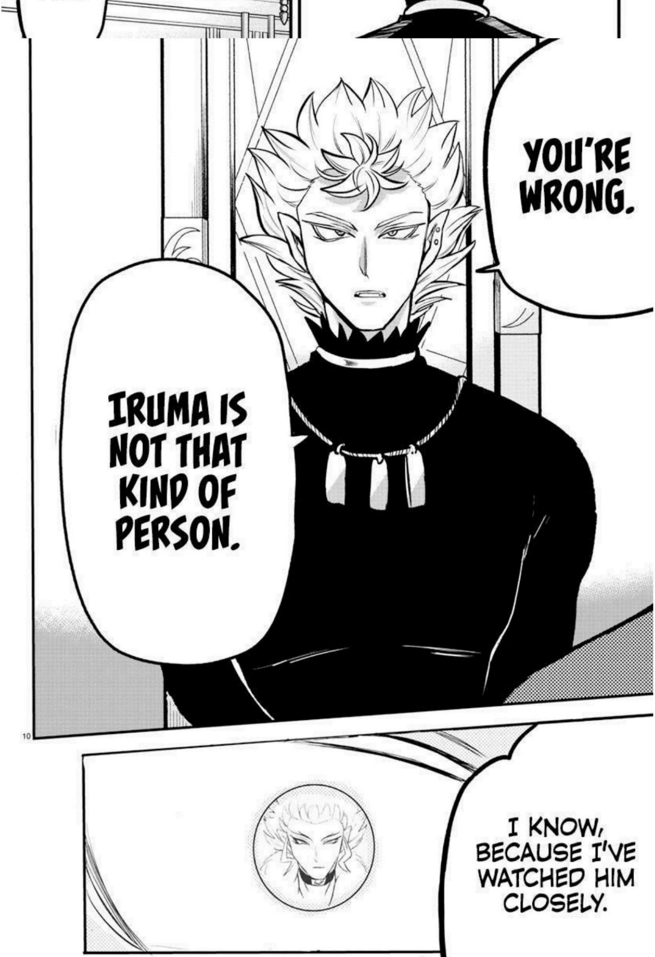

I DON'T THINK THAT WOULD BE CONSIDERED COOL...
hmm...
...
SABRO.

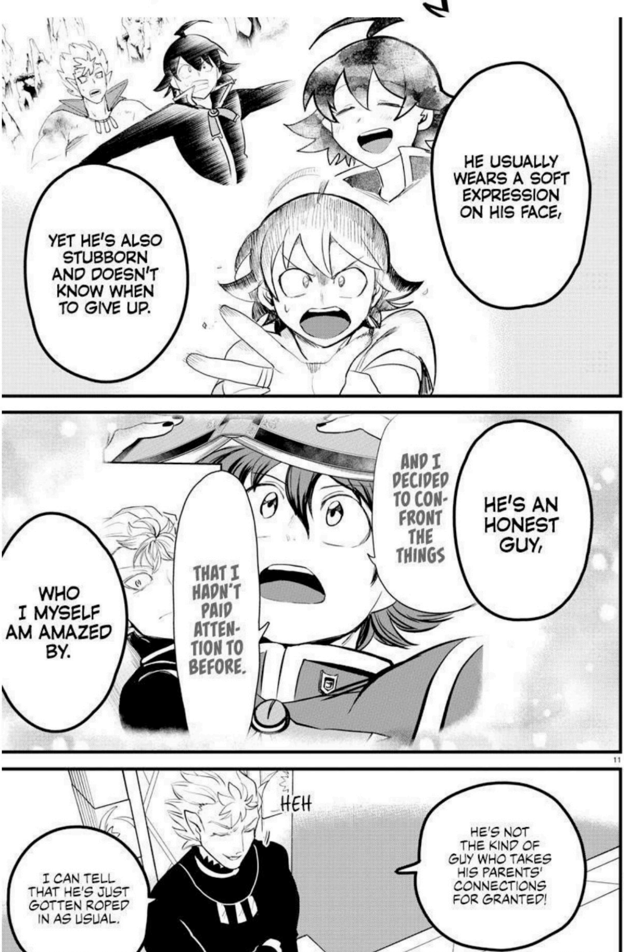

HOW MANY DEMONS IN THE NETHERWORLD DO YOU THINK
CAN GET A RECOMMENDATION FROM ONE OF THE 13 CROWNS?

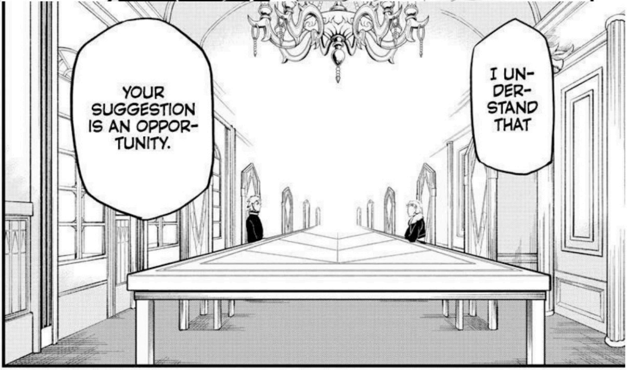

THIS AIN'T THE TIME TO BE THINKING ABOUT BEING COOL
WHEN YOU CAN SEIZE YOUR AMBITION.

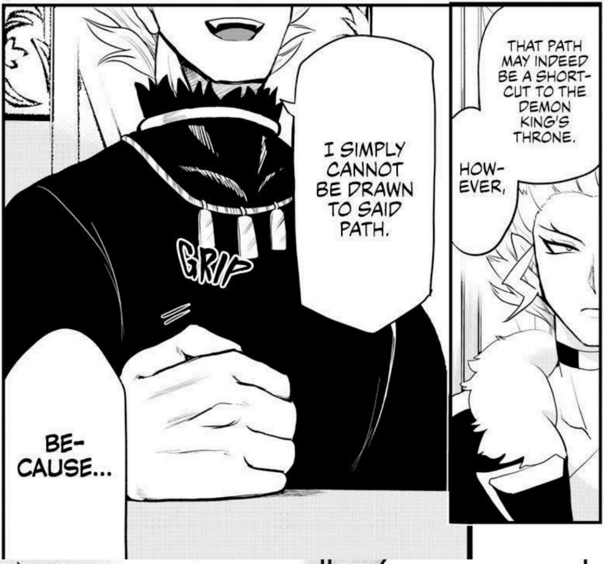

FACT IS, THOSE GUYS ARE USING THEIR GRAMPS' POWER
TO CLAIM THE THRONE.

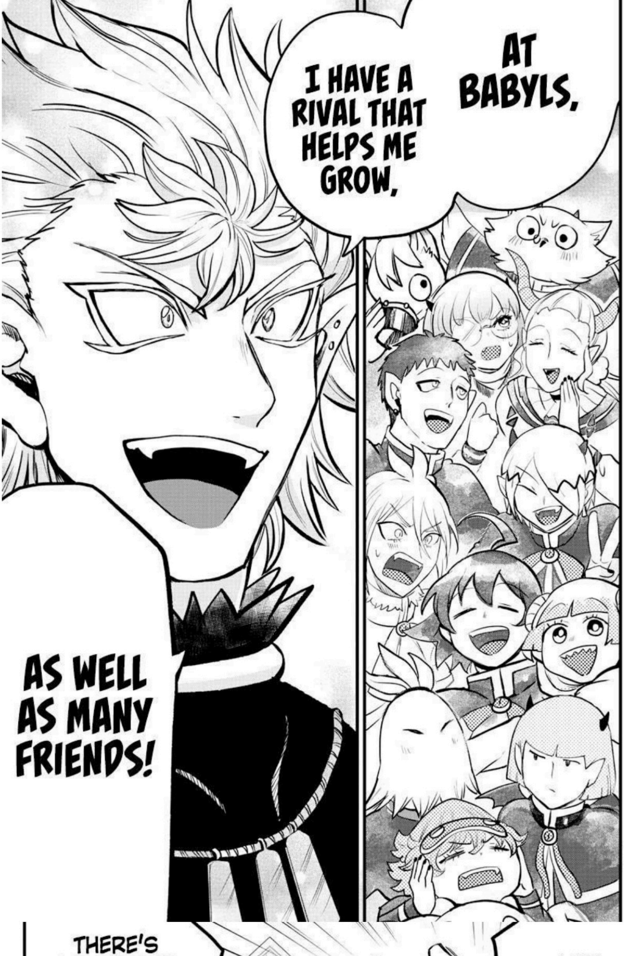

THE SAME GOES FOR IRUMA.
HE'S MOVING UP,
WHILE YOU'RE JUST STANDING THERE.
ARE YOU OKAY WITH IRUMA GETTING THE JUMP ON YOU?
THE GAP WOULD BE FATAL,
SABRO.
...
NO.

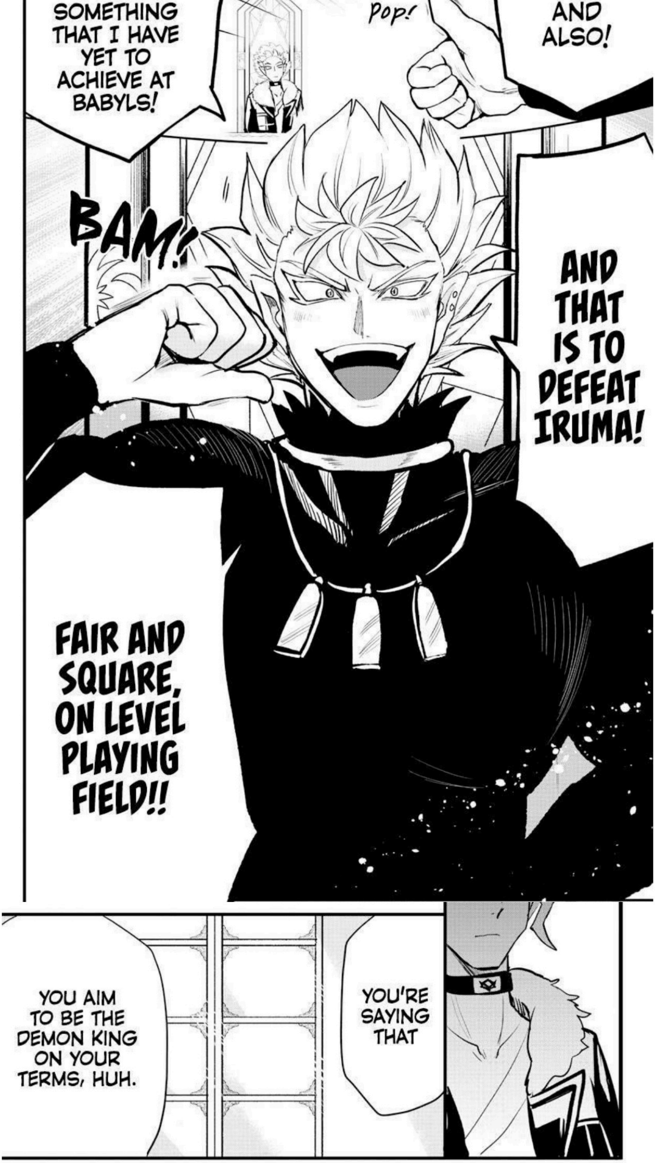

YOU'RE WRONG.
IRUMA IS NOT THAT KIND OF PERSON.
I KNOW, BECAUSE I'VE WATCHED HIM CLOSELY.

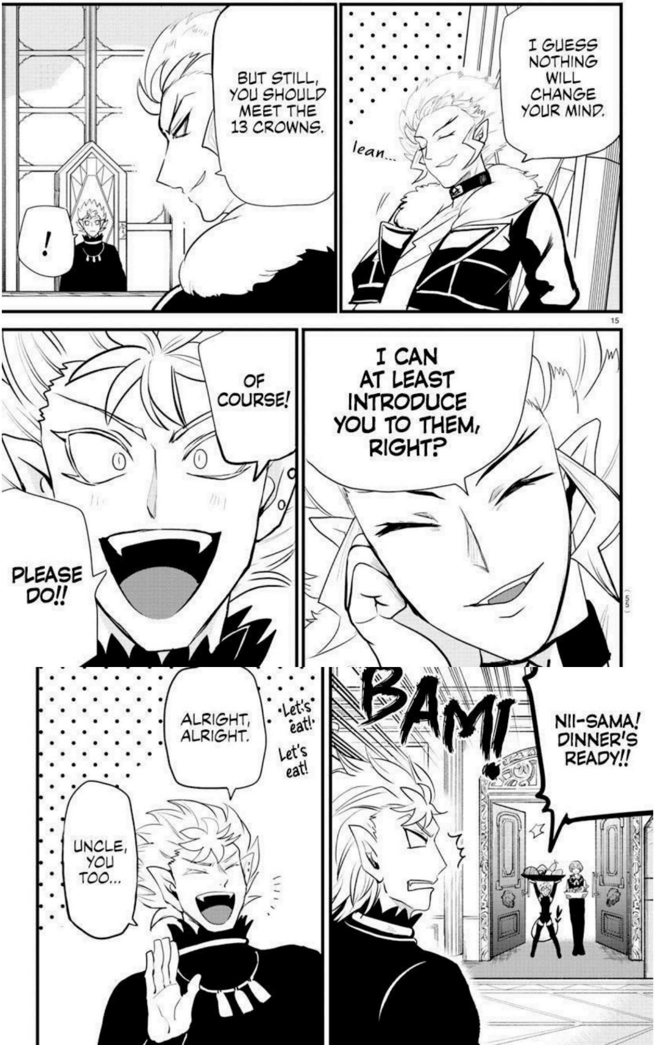

HE USUALLY WEARS A SOFT EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE,
YET HE'S ALSO STUBBORN AND DOESN'T KNOW WHEN TO GIVE UP.
HE'S AN HONEST GUY,
AND I DECIDED TO CONFRONT THE THINGS
THAT I HADN'T PAID ATTENTION TO BEFORE.
WHO I MYSELF AM AMAZED BY.
HEH
HE'S NOT THE KIND OF GUY WHO TAKES HIS PARENTS' CONNECTIONS FOR GRANTED!
I CAN TELL THAT HE'S JUST GOTTEN ROPED IN AS USUAL.


I UNDERSTAND THAT
YOUR SUGGESTION IS AN OPPORTUNITY.


THAT PATH MAY INDEED BE A SHORTCUT TO THE DEMON KING'S THRONE.
HOWEVER,
I SIMPLY CANNOT BE DRAWN TO SAID PATH.
GRIP
BECAUSE...


AT BABYLS,
I HAVE A RIVAL THAT HELPS ME GROW,
AS WELL AS MANY FRIENDS!
THERE'S


AND ALSO!
Pop!
SOMETHING THAT I HAVE YET TO ACHIEVE AT BABYLS!
BAM!
AND THAT IS TO DEFEAT IRUMA!
FAIR AND SQUARE, ON LEVEL PLAYING FIELD!!
YOU'RE SAYING THAT
YOU AIM TO BE THE DEMON KING ON YOUR TERMS, HUH.


I GUESS NOTHING WILL CHANGE YOUR MIND.
lean...
BUT STILL, YOU SHOULD MEET THE 13 CROWNS.
!
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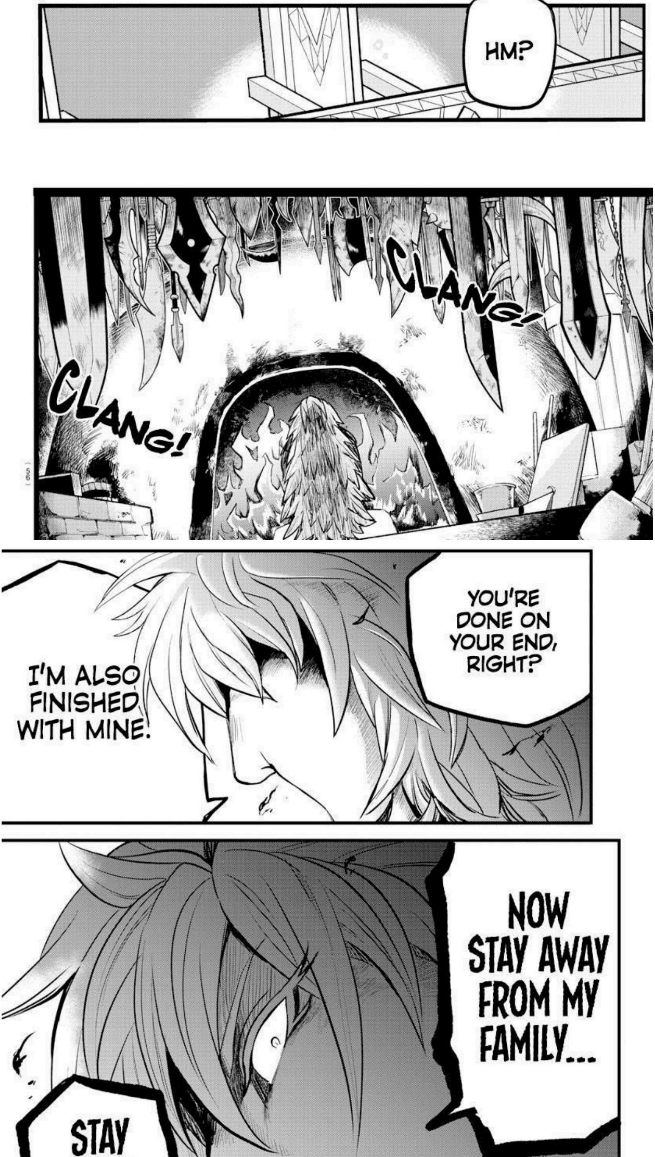
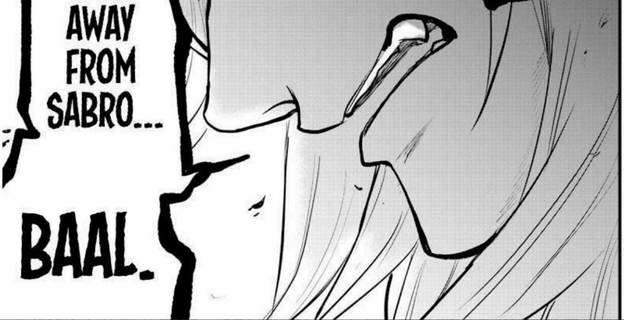
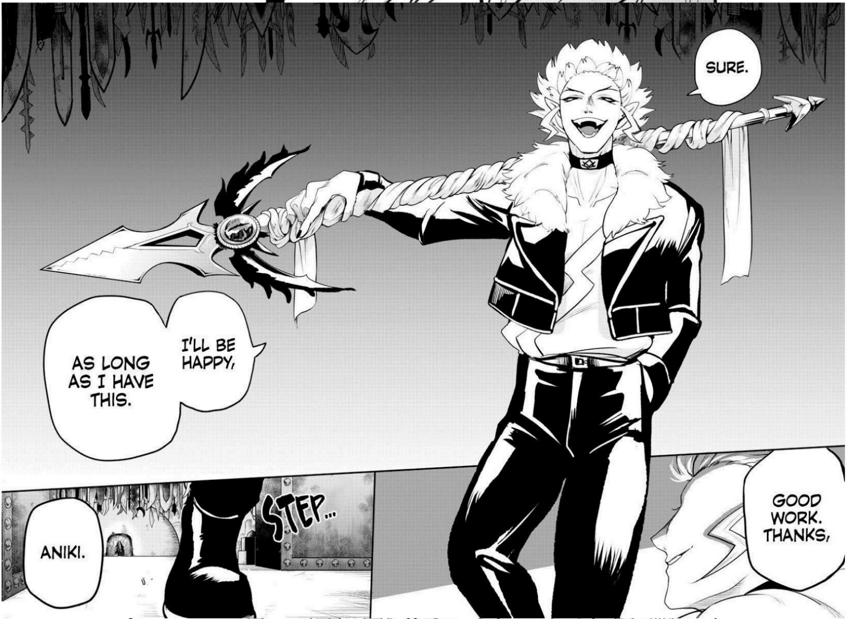
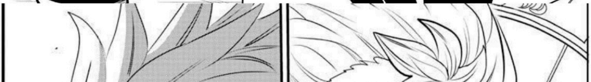
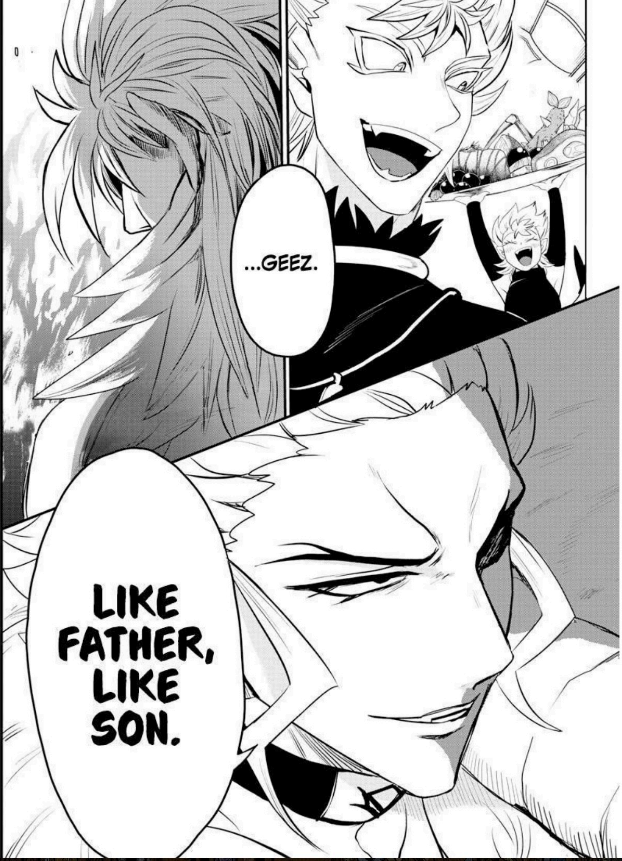
I CAN AT LEAST INTRODUCE YOU TO THEM, RIGHT?
55
OF COURSE!
PLEASE DO!!
BAM!
NII-SAMA! DINNER'S READY!!
Let's eat!
Let's eat!
ALRIGHT, ALRIGHT.
UNCLE, YOU TOO...

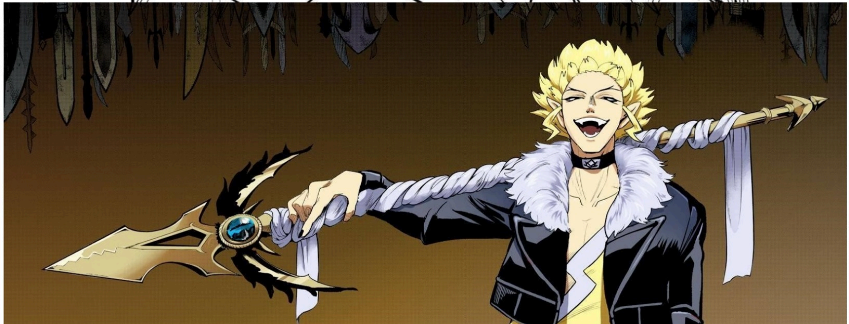

HM?
CLANG!
CLANG!
YOU'RE DONE ON YOUR END, RIGHT?
I'M ALSO FINISHED WITH MINE.
NOW STAY AWAY FROM MY FAMILY...
STAY


AWAY FROM SABRO...
BAAL.


SURE.
I'LL BE HAPPY,
AS LONG AS I HAVE THIS.
GOOD WORK. THANKS,
STEP...
ANIKI.




...GEEZ.
LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON.



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